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Customer No. 22882

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Confirmation No. 5309
Gary K. Michelson, M.D.)
Serial No.: 10/802,906) Group Art Unit: 3733
Filed: March 17, 2004) Examiner: Richard R. Shaffer
For: ORTHOPEDIC IMPLANT WITH)
LOCKING ELEMENT (as amended))

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated October 31, 2006, the period for reply having been extended for 3 months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Amendment 04-30-07